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Macomb County Library Programs

Macomb County Library collects stories for Women's Day

This spring, the Macomb County Library, the American Library Association and *Woman's Day* magazine want to know how the library has changed the lives of the people in the community.

From now until May 10, anyone who has a story to tell about how the library has changed his or her life can send it to www.womansday@ala.org. Four of the stories will be featured in an upcoming issue of Woman's Day.

All stories must be 700 words or less.

The initiative is part of a program sponsored by the American Library Association and *Woman's Day* magazine called "Put It in Writing @ Your Library." The campaign is a multi-year public awareness and advocacy campaign designed to promote the value of public, school, academic and special libraries and librarians in the 21st century.

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Story times resume at Macomb County Library

The popular story time programs for infants and toddlers are resuming at the Macomb County Library this spring, offering Children and their caregivers a chance to sing and move to the music, experience one-on-one time with their caregiver and play with children of and near their age.

There are three different programs to choose from, depending on the age of the child. The Baby Lapsit program is for ages birth to 18 months. These story times will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Thursdays, May 4, 11, 18 and 25. The Tot Time program is for ages 18 months to 30 months and will be held at 10:30 a.m. on Tuesdays, May 2, 9, 16, and 23. The Toddler Time program, which includes crafts, will be held at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesdays, May 3, 10, 17, and 24.

These story times are free and open to the public; however, reservations are required. For more information or reservations, call 586-286-6660.

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Michigan is the focus of two library presentations

Macomb County residents are invited to celebrate Michigan Month by participating in two Michigan-themed programs at the Macomb County Library.

Author JoEllen Vinyard brings Michigan's rich history to life in during her presentation, based on the book "Michigan: the Great Lakes State." Vinyard will cover everything from early explorers, fur traders and farmers to machinery, motors and manufacturing.

The program will be at 7 p.m. Tuesday, May 2, at the Macomb County Library.

Also offered will be a presentation by Michael Schumacher, author of "The Mighty Fitz: The Story of the Edmund Fitzgerald." The presentation will be held at 7 p.m. Tuesday, May 9.

The tragic story of the ship and crew will be discussed, as well as the search and rescue efforts, the official investigation, and the controversial struggle over the recent recovery of the ship's bell.

Both programs are free and open to the public, but registration is required as seating is limited. For reservations or more information call 586-286-6660.

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Read to Me, Rosco!

Rosco, Macomb County's favorite clown, is visiting the Macomb County Library at 10 a.m. Saturday, May 20, for the popular program, "Read to Me, Rosco!" This hilarious and interactive story time includes magic tricks and balloon animals.

Participants will receive a copy of the "Read to Me Parent and Child—Reading Together" handbook, as well as literacy information and handouts about early childhood development.

This program is free and open to the public, but registration is required as seating is limited. For reservations or more information, call 586-286-6660.

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Blink! Book Discussion at Macomb County Library

The May selection of the Macomb County Library's book discussion group is "Blink," by Malcolm Gladwell, author of the best-selling book, "The Tipping Point." The book discussion group meets at 7 p.m. the fourth Tuesday of each month.

"Blink" is about the decisive, two-second glance that creates first impressions in a person's mind. Gladwell discusses the "adaptive unconscious" which provides us with instant and sophisticated information to warn of danger, read a stranger or react to a new idea. He also includes information about jumping to conclusions, and how marketers can manipulate first impressions.

This program is free and open to the public, but registration is required as seating is limited. For reservations or more information, call 586-286-6660.

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The Macomb County Library is located at 16480 Hall Road (near Garfield), Clinton Township. The library is open 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Thursday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday and Saturday, and 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday from September through May. Click on www.macombcountylibrary.org for dates and times of additional programs.

The Macomb County Library and its many programs and services are a public service of the Macomb County Board of Commissioners.

About Macomb County

Macomb County is an enriching community in Southeastern Michigan that has one of the state's fastest rates of growth. Its 834,000 residents make it Michigan's third-largest county, with direct access to Lake St. Clair and Anchor Bay, and a host of cultural and entertainment options. Its highly skilled workforce and investment in new and expanding businesses make it open to enterprise. Active civic leadership translates into balanced budgets and Michigan's second-lowest tax rate. An increasingly diverse population and high quality of life make Macomb County accessible to all.